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Honorable Alvin K. Hellerstein
United States District Judge
Southern District of New York
500 Pearl Street
New York, New York 10007

*conf. adjourned
and time excluded,
to Dec. 18, 2007,
at 11:00am.
11-30-07*

Re: United States v. Austin Key
07 Cr. 995 (AKH)

Chick Hellerstein

Dear Judge Hellerstein:

A conference for the above-referenced case is set for Monday, December 3, 2007 at 9:45 a.m. The Government requests that the Court briefly adjourn the conference. The reason for the request is that the parties are actively working toward a disposition of this matter, and we anticipate that the disposition will be finalized shortly. In addition, the defendant must travel several hours from his residence in upstate New York in order to attend the conference, and an adjournment until a disposition is reached would relieve him from making two trips to New York City in a short period of time.

The Government also requests that the Court toll the speedy trial clock between today and the date of the next conference because the delay would serve the ends of justice and outweigh the interest of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(A), because the parties are engaged in active plea negotiations.

I have spoken with Raymond R. Granger, Esq., counsel for the defendant, who consents to this adjournment and the waiver of speedy trial time. The parties request an adjournment,


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if possible, to the afternoon of December 14, or any time on
December 19 or 21.

Respectfully submitted,

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